

For example:

1) Forget + V.ing = forget what one has done, or what has happened

- I shall never forget seeing the Queen.

Forget + V. infinitive = forget what one has to do.

- She's always forgetting to give me my letters.

2) Regret + V.ing = be sorry for what has happened

- I don't regret telling her what I thought. I don't regret loving you.

Regret + V. infinitive = be sorry for what one is going to say

- I regret to inform you that we are unable to offer you employment.

3) Remember + V.ing = remember what one has done, or what has happened

- I shall always remember meeting you for the first time.

Remember + V. infinitive = remember what one has to do.

- Remember to go to the post office, will you?

4) Stop + V. ing = stop what one is doing, or does.

- I really must stop smoking.

Stop + V. Infinitive = stop doing something so that one is able to do something else.

- Every half hour I stop to smoke a cigarette.

5) Try + V. ing = make an experiment, do something to see what will happen.

- I tried sending her flowers but it didn't have any effect.

Try + V. infinitive = make an effort; attempt to do something difficult.

- I once tried to learn Japanese.

Complete the sentence with the correct form (infinitive or gerund) of the verb.

1. If you can't fix that old thing, try hitting it with a hammer. (hit)

2. I remember seeing her at the beach last week. (see)

3. Don't forget to call your mother! (call)

4. I tried to get a ticket, but they had all sold out. (get)

5. I regret to say that your application has been unsuccessful. (say)